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In re Application of:  
Ashok K. Shulka, et al.  
Application No.: 09/591,009  
Filed: June 9, 2000  
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This is in response to the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) filed August 9, 2007.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application became abandoned for failure to respond in a timely manner to the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due mailed February 2, 2007. The notice set a shortened statutory period for reply of three-months from its mailing date. Extensions of time were available pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a). No response was received within the allowed period, and the application became abandoned on May 3, 2007. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on May 8, 2007.

The issue fee was received on May 3, 2007.

Form PTOL-85B, filed May 3, 2007, is noted and made of record.

The application is being directed to the Office of Patent Publications for further processing.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3222.

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